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SUBJECT: HAND GUN EXPORTS TO THAILAND

1. THE DEPARTMENT IS CONCERNED WITH THE CONTINUED TREND OF THE HIGH FLOW OF HAND GUNS TO THAILAND. FROM JANUARY THRU JUNE, 1974, APPROXIMATELY 18,000 HAND GUNS WERE LICENSED FOR EXPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE LARGE MAJORITY OF THESE WEAPONS WERE SENT TO PRIVATE ARMS DEALERS FOR COMMERCIAL RESALE. IMPACT OF AMERICAN-MADE WEAPONS ON THE COUNTRY IN GENERAL, AND ON THE UPCOMING THAI ELECTIONS IN PARTICULAR MUST BE CONSIDERED.

2. EMBASSY'S VIEWS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ARE REQUESTED IN DEVELOPING POLICY GUIDELINES THAT WOULD ADDRESS THIS QUESTION FULLY. KISSINGER

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